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Items 1159000, Cresol Saponated Solution, 1 Qt., and 1160000,
Cresol Saponated Solution, 5 Gal. - - - - - Section I.
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SECTION I. ITEMS 1159000, CRESOL SAPONATED SOLUTION, 1 QT., AND 1160000,
CRESOL SAPONATED SOLUTION, 5 GAL.

1. Complaints have been received recently concerning the use of certain stocks of subject items. Upon the addition of water, a white precipitate forms which clings tenaciously to agglutination tubes, pipettes, syringes, and other glassware immersed in the disinfectant. It is impossible to remove the precipitate in subsequent washing of the glassware in many cases.

2. Laboratory findings indicate that the use of hard water may cause the water insoluble components of the emulsion to precipitate and adhere to any instruments of glassware found in the solution.

3. It is recommended that the following precautions be taken when Cresol Saponated Solution is to be used in the disinfecting of instruments and glassware:

a. Soft or distilled water be used when making dilutions.

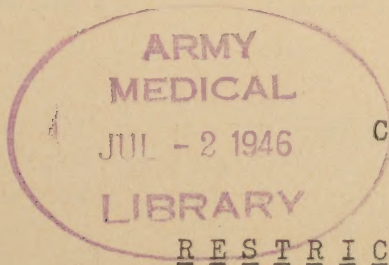
b. If the solution becomes opaque, it may be cleared by the addition of a few drops of 10% sodium or potassium hydroxide while stirring the solution.

SECTION II. FILES IN MEDICAL INSTALLATIONS.

1. It has come to the attention of this office that the files of Army Regulations and pertinent directives issued in this theater in many medical installations are incomplete.

2. It is desired that the files of each medical installation be carefully checked and that all missing directives be obtained from the appropriate agency.

By order of the Theater Chief Surgeon:



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